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## Note and Comment.

Mr. Griesbach's sweeping victory in the Edmonton mayoralty contest was most gratifying. It shows that the electors appreciate ability and faithful service. It has been said that an effort was made to defeat Mr. Griesbach on account of his political affiliations and the probability that his election to the mayoralty would enhance his prestige in a wider field. The eleventh-hour declaration of the Bulletin in favor of Ald. Bellamy, after it had been treating its readers for a couple of weeks to beautiful generalities on their duty to choose the best man available, without indicating whom it considered the best man, undoubtedly lent color to the charge that political influences were at work. If they were, they did not succeed and it stands to the credit of the mass of the ratepayers, though the majority of them as Liberals have no sympathy with Mr. Griesbach's political views, that they did not allow this to stand in the way of choosing the man who was most capable of discharging the most onerous duties which will devolve upon the head of the municipality during the coming year. To bring politics into municipal life is to introduce a fruitful source of maladministration. It is especially important in Edmonton, with the extensive programme of public ownership that we are entering upon, that it should not be tolerated for a moment. No private corporation appoints a general manager because he is a supporter of Sir Wilfrid Laurier or of Mr. Borden but because he has the capacity and the experience to deal with the various matters that will come under his control. If we are to make a success of municipal government, it is essential that we stick to good business principles.

That Edmonton has obtained a mayor in Mr. Griesbach worthy of the remarkable confidence that his fellow-citizens have shown in him we firmly believe. He should have valuable assistance from those who were successful in the aldermanic contest. The Saturday News was the only paper which supported Mr. Griesbach's candidature and it had also the personal satisfaction of seeing the two aldermanic candidate whom it recommended to its readers, Messrs. Garriep and Walker, returned but a few votes behind the leader of the poll, Mr. Daly. While the east-end ticket as such did not meet with favor on this page, we freely

recognize that as individuals the three chosen from that part of the city, Messrs. Daly, Cameron and McArthur, are all men of capacity, who while new to municipal work, possess qualities which should stand them and the city in good stead.

The responsibilities which our new representatives have had placed upon their shoulders are no light ones. The year that lies before us is bound to be one of wonderful development, which it will tax all the powers of the civic authorities to keep pace with. Many problems of far-reaching importance will have to be solved. An intelligent interest on the part of the body of citizens will aid not a little in their successful solution. Fair and explicit criticism should be welcome but those who are giving of their time and energy to the city's service have reason to object to the unreasonable abuse which so often falls to their lot. It is not difficult for either the newspaper or the individual to indulge in it. There is a constant temptation to do so, for the knocker is always sure of an applauding audience. But the result is detrimental to the public. A great many who are capable of rendering good service naturally conceive a distaste for municipal life when they note the unfair treatment that is accorded those who they know are doing their best by the citizens.

In Calgary ex-mayor Cameron won out by a majority of 180 over both opponents, Mr. Brocklebank, the labor candidate, being 41 votes ahead of alderman Stuart. Ald. Stuart had all the newspapers of the city opposing him and with an old-timer, who had had long and important civic experience, against him, his chances were small. It is evident that conditions in the southern city were ripe for a municipal change. Ald. Stuart stood by the work of this year's council and received the support of the retiring mayor.

The hardship that has been caused in western Canada during the present season owing to the high price of coal and the inability of some places to secure an adequate supply has led John Herron M. P. for Southern Alberta to move that in the future coal lands should only be alienated subject to such conditions as will "provide for an immediate supply of coal, adequate at all times to the requirements of the people and at a reasonable price to the consumer." It

is hard to see how such provision could be made. The trouble this winter arose out of the strike at Lethbridge. How is it possible to provide against the repetition of disputes between capital and labor? The only way the government could prevent these would be for it to undertake the mining of coal itself and be prepared to give in to its employees whenever they made a fresh demand upon it. We hardly think that this would be in the general interests.

The Calgary Herald tried to create a sensation out of some information brought out in the course of the debate on Mr. Herron's resolution.

"Looting the western coal lands" its heading ran across the page. "Startling exposures, Herron of McLeod stirs up tremendous excitement. Alberta judiciary and highest provincial officials accused of graft of coal lands."

It is difficult to understand how a paper of the standing of the Herald could make itself so ridiculous. The Lieutenant-Governor, Justice Stuart, Premier Rutherford and others whom it accuses of graft have secured interests in coal lands in the past in the same way as any other individual who cares to devote his money towards developing this resource of the province's may. Prominent Conservatives, the Calgary Albertan points out, such as C. Hiebert M. P., E. H. Crandell and others are interested in the same companies as those whom the Herald is trying to raise a cry against.

The coal dealers are being blamed for the prices they are charging. But are they not doing exactly what others have done and always will do when the supply of the commodity in which they deal becomes limited? The present conditions are purely transitory. With all the wealth of coal that the province possesses, there is no possibility that the price can be maintained at anything like its present level. The Edmonton Board of Trade has appointed a committee to investigate the best means of retaining such control of the supply as will ensure cheap coal to consumers generally and to manufacturers and to bring the matter to the attention of the two governments. But when a manufacturer at a comparatively small expense can sink a shaft and mine his own coal, there is no fear of his being seriously held up by the dealers for any length of time. If scarcity arises again, it will be due, as at present, to labor troubles,

## Prominent Albertans.



His Lordship Bishop Legal

Last Sunday the Roman Catholics of Edmonton received their first visit from Bishop Legal, since his return from Rome, where he has spent several months, attending a general gathering of the Oblates and paying the triennial visit which every Bishop must pay to the Holy Father. In the morning he formally opened the new church of the Immaculate Conception on Kinistino Avenue. It is a handsome and commodious building and with the great development which is going on in that part of the city should become a very influential congregation. Father Hetu is the priest in charge. The address to the Bishop called attention to the fact that it was composed of three distinct nationalities, English, French and German, all working harmoniously for the upbuilding of the church. His Lordship's address was a mastery one and was listened to with the keenest interest. Few men of French birth have a better command of the English tongue. He has been a resident of what is now Alberta since 1881, his first charge being at the Peigan reserve, west of McLeod. After faithful labor for many years in minor posts, he was appointed to the See of St. Albert on the death of Bishop Grandin. He is a man of fine presence and rare geniality and makes friends for himself wherever he goes among people of all classes and creeds. The photo which is reproduced above was taken this summer while the Bishop was in Rome.

so any effort which the government may make should be in the direction of making these less likely to occur.

A letter delivery system is to be instituted in Edmonton and Calgary within the next few weeks. The announcement will be a welcome one to the citizens of both places. The distances in each are greater than in most cities of their size and the congestion of matter in the post offices has made it difficult to give the service it has a right to expect. This should be relieved to a considerable extent by the delivery system. It is the rule of the department when letters are delivered to require a two cent stamp for city letters. This penalty will, it is presumed, be enforced in Alberta.

The Edmonton council has resumed the C.N.R.'s request for the

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## Sunny Alberta.

The Council of Medicine Hat met in the new city hall, by all odds the handsomest and most commodious in the province, for the first time on December 3.

W. F. Tranter has left Red Deer to revisit his old home in England for the purpose of inducing other old countrymen to emigrate. The merchants of Red Deer collected about \$100 towards defraying the expenses of the trip. Previous to his departure a farewell gathering was held by Mr. Tranter's friends in the sitting-room of the Alberta Hotel. H. Raikes of Pine Lake occupied the chair and speeches were delivered by a number of others.

The passion for office is not strong in Ponoka, W. R. Court-right was expected to become mayor by acclamation, but the town clerk maintained that he was likely to become ineligible by certain contracts which he held and at the last moment Mayor McKinnell had to be induced to accept a second term. Messrs. J. P. Horn, J. W. O'Brien and N. Ledgerwood were elected councillors by acclamation. Three school trustees had to be elected but only Messrs. J. A. Jackson and Ed. Hinkley were nominated.

Duncan McEachern was elected mayor of Wetaskiwin by acclamation. In a letter to the newspapers E. E. Chandler states that before nomination day he was called away on business and that those who were supposed to look

after his interests and nominate him neglected to do so.

The deep snow appears to be affecting the coyote. Farmers report that they are coming right up to the door in quest of food. Indians are running them down with their ponies and killing large numbers. It appears they are roaming in packs, and seldom or never have they been so bold. Saturday night about 8.30 one was seen wending its way leisurely along Chipman avenue in the clear moonlight.—Ponoka Herald.

The opening paragraph of the Stettler Independent's report of the Board of Trade banquet in that town tells an interesting story: "About twelve months ago, a few enterprising, pushing, business men met in a small shack twelve feet by sixteen, and organized the Stettler Board of Trade, at the time of organising the town being more an idea than a reality. On the evening of Thursday the 29th ult., that same board of trade met in the dining room of the National Hotel to hold its first banquet, but on this occasion after going through the various stages of formation, Stettler has become an incorporated town, on the eve of an election of its first mayor and councillors and with the right to levy a direct taxation." Few western towns have made the rapid progress that stands to Stettler's credit and it is principally the result of the fact that it has possessed a more than ordinarily enterprising citizenship. W. B. McGillivray is the president of the Board of Trade and I. Peterson manager of the Merchants Bank is secretary.

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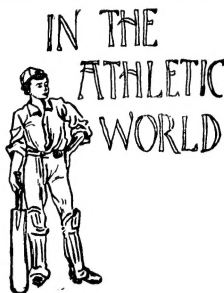
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HUDSON'S BAY STORES



Hockey prospects on the banks of the Saskatchewan are exceedingly good, even though the chances are that the games to be played will be confined practically altogether to the aforesaid banks. The Edmonton seniors were out on Monday night for practice. Blomfield, Sibbald and Taylor, son of Alex. Taylor, who played with Upper Canada last winter are newcomers from whom something is expected. Harold Grady, the seniors' goal-keeper of last winter, who is a student at Alberta College and hails from McLeod, has joined the intermediates who expect to be very strong, although one of their bright stars, Ganneveau, has been moved by the C. P. R. Telegraph Company to Moose Jaw. Among the Strathcona seniors who have been practicing are, McRae, Hampton and Ritchie, of last year's teams; Raife, of Lachute, Ont.; McLean, of Calgary, formerly captain of the Montreal Intermediate Shamrocks; and Laidlaw of Winnipeg.

But it looks as if the greatest interest of all will be manifested in the City League games. The decision to allow seniors to play will ensure fast hockey. As yet it is impossible to size any of the teams up accurately, but the Bankers and the Civil Service look particularly strong on paper.

Wetaskiwin won the first game in the Central Alberta League defeating Stettler by 2-1.

The members of the Coleman football team says the Frank paper, are planning to spring an entirely new game as an ice sport. Many of the members of the club are fine skaters and they are planning to introduce football on the ice. It will be a game more or less original

with them and will partake of the nature of rugby, in fact will follow the rugby play very closely. The boys have not tried their scheme as yet but expect to in a few days and hope to be able to put up an interesting exhibition.

Rev. R. J. Merrian, of Millet, preached in Leduc on a recent Sunday. He has a great reputation on the athletic field, particularly as a runner and jumper, which is sufficient, I am told, to bring large congregations out to hear him wherever he goes. Muscular Christianity makes a strong appeal in the west.

That life in the country need never become monotonous, so long as the weather is suited for outdoor games is made clear by the experience of the Pine Lake Cricket Club which had its annual meeting the other day. A most enjoyable summer's sport was reported. W. R. Charley received the prize bat for the highest batting average, his figures being 251. The following officers were chosen: H. Raikes, president; W. R. Charley, captain; C. M. Wright, vice-captain; L. I. Willis, secretary.

Strathcona curlers have commenced playing off for the Ochsen Cup.

The plans of the Western Canada Baseball League are progressing favorably. Manager White, of Edmonton, recently wrote the following interesting letter to Sporting Life:—"Calgary, Lethbridge and Medicine Hat are looking over the field for experienced managers. It is expected that a faster grade of ball will be played up here than in the Northern league, as the four members of the Western Canada league are not hampered by lack of funds. The gate receipts at Edmonton and Calgary last year from independent teams of these cities was more than double the receipts of any club in the Iowa State league except Burlington. A \$19,000 joint stock company is backing the Edmonton team and the other clubs are equally well financed. The popular impression in the states that this is a cold and frozen country is decidedly erroneous. The climate up here is almost ideal. Being near the mountains, chinook winds sweep through the low passes of the Pacific and modify the temperature to a marked degree. Baseball has been played in Calgary and Edmonton in the month of January."

This is quite true but it must be admitted that the chances are not very good for the season to open in January this year. Players, who happened to drift into town one of these days looking for a baseball job at short notice, on the strength of Deacon's letter, would be apt to receive something of a shock.

The death occurred in Pasadena, California, last week of Edgar Carruthers, of the real estate firm of Carruthers & Round, Edmonton, and son of James Carruthers, the well-known grain man of Montreal who has large interests in Edmonton. Mr. Carruthers contracted a tubercular trouble some twelve months ago, leaving Edmonton during the summer. While a resident of the city he made hosts of friends for himself who will sincerely regret his untimely end. He was an athlete of no mean ability as the following from the Toronto Globe indicates:

"Mr. Edgar Carruthers was a fine hockey player when he was in the game a few years ago, and a useful member of the Toronto Rowing Club and Osgood team. Since he was a very small boy on a pony he has followed the traditions of the Toronto Hunt, with his father, mother and brothers, and he had great success as a race rider on the flat. One memorable victory was achieved at the Hamilton meeting seven years ago, when he was 20 years old. He was riding Annetburn for Mr. W. F. Macdonald in the hunters' flat handicap at a mile and a quarter, and defeated the hitherto invincible Romancer, ridden by Mr. L. Reinhardt, now of Montreal. Mr. Reinhardt's champion had been winning all his races with ease, and on this occasion had to carry the respectable burden of 180 pounds. Annetburn's weight was 40 pounds less. Duke Henry was ridden by Mr. Burton Holland and now building a railway in Alaska, and Mr. Robt. W. Davis rode Redgauntlet. The only other starter was Mr. E. S. Crave's Phylas, ridden by himself. In spite of his heavy burden Romancer was a 1 to 2 favorite, and he looked like the winner till the last furlong, when Mr. Carruthers made his time with Annetburn. For the first time in Romancer's career as a hunter Mr. Reinhardt had to draw his whip on the handsome son of Prince Royal, but even this was not sufficient to stand the rush of Annetburn, and Mr. Carruthers' mount won by a length."

COVER PHOTO.

The death is announced at Victoria of Major Charles Edmond Phipps, late of the Scots Guards, 29th Foot, and 18th Royal Irish. He was a son of the late Sir Charles B. Phipps and grandson of the first Earl of Mulgrave. Major Phipps has resided for a long time at the capital. In his early life he was a page in attendance on the late Queen Victoria.

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"Down at the bottom of the apparently reckless investment and the riotous champagne drinking crowds that thronged bars, hotel sitting rooms and real estate offices there was as its basis a firm belief in the future of Winnipeg and western Canada. They laughed and joked in their optimism and confidence, and Winnipeg was a never merrier, for the humor of it all was felt, if not understood by everyone.

"It passed, and 'tis well that it did. In its passage, however, it did not take with it the confidence and hope of the people who lived its life. It is still present, the optimism and the humor of the buoyant west, saner, soberer, and more conservative in hopefulness, confidence and investment, and the man who was in the mad rush of crowded Main street, Winnipeg in the spring of 1882, in a frantic struggle for Edmonton town lots, and who found that twenty-four afterwards it was impossible to give them away with covenant attached to their possessions, now recalls triumphantly that his judgment was all right when he reads that property on Jasper Avenue, Edmonton, is selling at \$800 a foot. He says with a humorous twinkle in his eye: 'I suspected that twenty-four years ago, but was fool enough to follow the crowd and let go.'"

The final western census returns show about an equal per cent. of increase for Alberta and Saskatchewan. In 1901 their populations were respectively 73,022 and 91,279, as compared with 184,906 and 256,984 in 1906. Manitoba in the same period has increased from 255,211 to 365,848. That the result is satisfactory to this province goes without saying. It was to be expected that the province nearer the Atlantic seaboard would be settled up first, while it was only in the last few months of the period between the two census-takings that any considerable railway building had been done in Alberta. With railways pushing out in every direction during the next five years is it too much to look for a population of at least 500,000 in the province when the census of 1911 is taken.

The Royal Bank of Canada, one of the oldest and most substantial of the Dominion's financial insti-

tutions, opened for business in Edmonton on Wednesday of this week. The banking house is opposite the C. P. R. ticket office on Jasper Avenue, west of McDougall. Mr. A. W. Hyndman, brother of J. D. Hyndman, barrister, is the manager. The Royal makes Edmonton's twelfth bank. The Hotelagla will open just as soon as the new Credit Foncier building is completed.

A piece of property is said to have changed hands on Queen's avenue opposite the market this week at \$350 a foot. It is anticipated that once it is decided to erect a market building on the city's property that Queen's avenue will be widened along that block and thus very greatly improved.

Vincent Scully, ex-M.P. for West Clare, Ireland, has been visiting his son, Denis V. Scully, who is ranching south of McLeod, and looking over the extensive interests that he has acquired in Alberta of recent years.

At the sale of Indian lands in township 53, range 27, conducted last week by Auctioneer Robert Smith, the price for quarter sections ranged from \$9.50 to \$12.50 per acre.

Several large deals are impending in respect to coal mining interests in the vicinity of Edmonton which promise to do not a little for the expansion of the industry.

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## Sunny Alberta.

At Stettler Charles Hiebritz was committed for trial on an assault charge preferred by his wife, who stated that the defendant made use of several threats—"To put the plaintiff in the stove; to inflict injuries with a knife, and on this occasion she had to hold him when he pounded her in the face with his hand; on another occasion the baby was sitting on the floor when the defendant threatened that if the child touched a nail again he would pick its eyes out with the nail; threatened to drive the complainant out of the house and kill her.

John Kean Van Ambers, aged 73, who has been missing since November 1st, was found dead last week in a haystack beside the trail on the farm of George Martin, east of Penhold. The body was taken to Penhold and then to Red Deer, where an inquest was held. The jury decided that deceased came to his death from exposure.

Referring to the protests being made in Pincher Creek over the removal of the mounted police barracks to Blairmore, the Frank paper states that the action taken is essentially just in that the population in the Pass has increased at a much more rapid rate than around Pincher. "We have heard it said" concludes the article "that Member Marcellus has been and is being importuned to use his influence in behalf of his end of the district, in this matter. We are not willing to believe Mr. Marcellus would be guilty of anything so unjust and unreasonable but if

he should be weak enough to permit his friends to use him, the Pass will have it in its hands to return the compliment in goodly measure when he presents himself for re-election. On that score at least, Pincher will not be able to hog the whole cheese hereafter."

On Thursday last the north-bound passenger train left Leavings and after steaming a few miles out the engineer fortunately observed a freight train approaching from Claresholm. He put on the brakes and reversed back to Leavings to allow the freight to pass. It was certainly a lucky thing that it was not after nightfall; otherwise a head-on collision would have resulted. It appears the agent at Leavings was not informed of the departure of the freight from Claresholm and allowed the passenger train to depart.—High River Times.

About 150 were present at a most successful St. Andrew's night supper in Coleman.

"Two preachers, the secretary, and three attentive hearers" was the way one of the small company described the gathering at the annual meeting of the Lord's Day Alliance on Thursday evening. Rev. A. C. Farrell was elected president, Mr. John McVicar secretary, and Mrs. G. W. Greene, treasurer.—Red Deer Advocate.

Wm. Bamon died in the cottage hospital at High River on Nov. 30 as a result of the accident sustained a week or so previous, east of Nanton when his arm was torn out in a threshing machine.

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The Saturday News is the only paper in Edmonton which publishes its circulation returns and which invites advertisers to examine its mailing lists and its returns of street and news stand sales, in order that they may satisfy themselves as to the correctness of the figures which appear weekly at the head of this column.

Even in the days when its number of bona fide subscribers was small, its management established this practice believing that by taking those from whom it solicited business fully into its confidence and giving them the opportunity of seeing its circulation grow, it would be serving its own interests.

The Saturday News was first issued on December 25, 1905.

Last week 1555 papers were distributed to bona fide subscribers.  
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## The Gleichen Election

In the provincial bye-election in Gleichen the Liberal candidate, Mr. Riley, was returned by a majority slightly less than 100. At the general election his predecessor, now Mr. Justice Stuart, won out by about a score of votes. The Saturday News, while hoping that the result would be different, is not at all surprised by it. The government was evidently determined to hold the seat and the local workers were largely supplemented from outside points. Under the circumstances it would have been most remarkable if Mr. Walsh had succeeded. He was badly needed in the legislature and the electors of Gleichen by sending him there would have done the rest of the province the most genuine service. But we know how much more powerful appeals to local rather than general interests are and, in Canada at least, it is usually easy to persuade a constituency, when it is the scene of a bye-election which will not affect the tenure of office of a government, that it is to its advantage to stand in with those who hold the reins of power and incidentally the strings of the public's money-bags.

The situation facing the province is one that must cause genuine concern. It is unlikely that the Conservative party will be disposed to contest another constituency during the life of the present legislature. For if they could not succeed in Gleichen, there is no chance of their doing so elsewhere. The result is that for the next three years there will be practically no legislative check whatever upon the government. The present members of the opposition are not

fitted in any way by training or experience to act as critics of public measures and we may expect from them only a perfunctory discharge of the important duties which a strange fate has thrust upon them. With a man of Mr. Walsh's calibre brought to their aid, they would, on the other hand, have become an effective force in the House. They would never have been able to defeat the government on any matter of policy but by drawing the attention of the province to the weaknesses of that policy, they could have ensured governmental efficiency to an extent which is impossible under present conditions. British constitutional practice always takes an opposition for granted and when the latter does not exist, the advantages of our form of government are correspondingly minimized.

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Not only is the outcome of the fight in Gleichen of disadvantage to the province but it is exceedingly perilous to the Liberal party. There is nothing like sturdy opposition to keep a political organization in a healthy condition. It is in times of too great prosperity that the seeds of future trouble are sown. We are not speaking theoretically. The truth of what we have said has been demonstrated over and over again and it will take very careful leadership and uncommon honesty of purpose on the part of all who occupy the posts of responsibility to steer the party clear of pitfalls within the next few years.

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Another element of danger is to be found in the practice, when a vacancy occurs, of sending in outsiders to conduct the ensuing campaign. It is much safer and more satisfactory to leave local organizations to control. The system of having a band of professional politicians swoop down on a riding, whenever a bye-election is in prospect, has been a most prolific source of corruption in the older provinces and is sure to become so in Alberta. In some Ontario constituencies so great a hold did these outside organizers obtain on the party and into such disrepute did they bring it, that many a Liberal candidate after awhile stipulated on accepting his nomination that he should be allowed to run his own campaign. Outside aid, he recognized, prejudiced his cause. Alberta should set her face firmly against machine politics, a phrase very often misapplied but which has nevertheless a very real meaning.

We do not think that any reader of the Saturday News can justly accuse it of adopting this attitude from any partizan motives. We are all the more anxious to point out the dangers to which we believe the Liberal party in this province is exposed, because we have from the first frankly expressed our general confidence in its ability and its desire to serve the public interests. Up to the present, it has done excellent work and we earnestly hope that it will continue to do so. The Conservatives in Gleichen, we believe, made a serious mistake in attempting a general attack upon the government's policy. They could have appealed to the electors without discussing the record of the past year and by thus restricting themselves would have attained a greater degree of success. Many Independents and many Liberals would have sup-

ported Mr. Walsh, if the government's record had not been made an issue. But they declined to support him when the campaign was conducted in such a way that his election could be fairly interpreted as indicating the constituency's disapproval of what the government had done.

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J. R. McIntosh of the firm of McIntosh and Chauvin, Edmonton, is spending the Christmas vacation in Montreal.

A large and most enjoyable banquet was held at the Wilton Hotel, Claresholm, in honor of A. B. Irvine, the retiring manager of the Bank of Commerce, who in the course of the evening was presented with a handsome gold watch.

### BORN

Carrall—On Dec. 6 to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Carrall, Ponoka a daughter.

Ward—On Nov. 26 to Mr and Mrs W. W. Ward Edmonton, a daughter.

Stevens—On Dec. 4th to Mr and Mrs W. F. Stevens, Clover Bar a daughter.

Irwin—On Sunday, Dec. 2nd, to Mr and Mrs W. J. Irwin, of Innisfail, a son.

Schantz—On Wednesday, Dec. 5th to Mr and Mrs B. F. Schantz, Wetaskiwin, a son.

### MARRIED

Turpin—Edwards—On Nov 14th at the residence of the bride's uncle, James Airds, Nanton, Miss Mary Margaret Edwards of Nicola B. C. to George Charles Turpin of Nanton.

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Mode—Grant—At the residence of Mr and Mrs. R. O. Campbell, Strathcona, on the 5th inst., by the Rev. D. MacDonald, M. A. Ph. D. Mr. Allan Thomas Mode Advocate, Strathcona, to Miss Mararita Edna Grant, daughter of Mr and Mrs David Grant of Singhamton, Ont.

Wollen—Dawson—On the 5th Dec. at the Pro Cathedral, Calgary by the Very Rev. E. C. Paget, D. D. (Dean of Calgary). Joseph George Dawson Wollen, of Wedmore Hall, Weston-super-Mare, England, also of Fir Ranch, Vernon, B. C., to Dora Vivian, only daughter of the late E. Conyers Dawson, captain 5th West York Regiment.

Thompson—McMillan—On Nov. 28th at High River B. Fulton Thompson to Miss Florance Isabel McMillan.

**DIED**  
Morton—At Lacombe, on Saturday December 1, John R. Morton, aged 25 years and 6 months.

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fill.

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gold tresses,  
With rosy cheeks and with lips  
rose-red,  
And we stretch our hands to her  
warm caresses  
In days when the drifted leaves  
lie dead.

Not a thought has she but to do  
our pleasure,  
With flash and sparkle to light  
our eyes,  
To gladden each hour of twilight  
leisure  
With richer dreams than the  
sunset skies.

She croons to us songs of buried  
summer  
When loud west winds in the  
chimney hum;  
She heralds winter, the proud new-  
comer,  
With blaring bugle and roaring  
drum.

She peoples the far forgotten ages  
With shining legions of horse  
and foot  
Till our hearts forget how they  
won their wages  
Of cold gray ashes and dead-sea  
fruit.

She builds us castles of golden  
glory,  
And builds them splendid with  
scarp and tower.—  
Yet her sweetest word is her own  
love-story,  
The warmth of her heart at the  
twilight hour!

*Will H. Ogilvie.*

I wonder what kind of a time  
the people in the lonely little vil-  
lages along the line, and out on  
the isolated homesteads, put in on  
Christmas day? Do they have  
their little feasts and hangings—  
up of stockings, or is life so seri-  
ous a business that jolly old St.  
Nick hurries by with a sigh, feel-  
ing that tootly horns and gay tin-  
foiled bons-bons would be here  
only a tragic touch of the incon-  
gruous.

As yet I have found no one who  
can inform me of a typical Christ-  
mas on the ranch. I have my own  
ideas on the subject though. I  
know children the world over, on  
ranch, in town and to the ends of  
the earth are just children—and  
parents, deprived of shops and  
even money—have yet the wit to  
fashion some small thing for little  
ones to gloat over on Christmas  
day in the morning. The older  
people too will manage to scare up  
some loving offering, and if mince  
pies and chocolates and all the

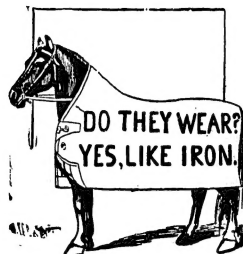
other Christmas fixings are absent  
—the grown ups may yet snuggle  
round the fire and talk of Christ-  
mas they have known in the  
past, and still others they may look  
forward to in the future.

Up north Christmas means little  
—so far as celebrating goes. New  
Years is the big day for the Indian  
and half-breed. But I can imagine  
many a lone hunter and white fur-  
trader out in the wilds or with his  
feet cocked up on the rim of the  
stove, pipe-dreaming of days back  
home, when, with a jolly crowd of  
brothers and sisters or near-by  
neighbors, he celebrated with huge  
zest this season of all seasons.

Go where you will, if you are a  
white man, you can't shake it off,  
this Christmas spirit. It stalks  
you to your club, where being a  
lone man in a far-off country you  
would fain forget it;—it confronts  
you as you pick up your magazine,  
and the daily papers howl it at you  
with announcements of "Holiday  
books for Sale," "Bring your wife  
or sweetheart some Christmas ros-  
es," etc., etc. "I'll be glad when  
the wretched day is over" you say  
to yourself, "the thing gets on my  
nerves." And as you crawl into  
bed at night you heave a sigh of  
relief. But all night long you  
dream of rosy-faced night-robed  
children dragging in their wake  
great bulging stockings, of your  
mother bending over you on the  
joyous morning.

Six days before last Christmas  
day I started out on my journey  
for my future home—Edmonton.  
How well I remember the long trip  
out, the sitting day after day,  
gazing out at the dead-level prairie,  
snow-covered—desolate. Across  
from me sat a wee boy, merry of  
face and intensely—oh so intensely  
enjoying the situation. With him  
there was no looking-backward—  
all life lay before him—and half of  
mine I had left behind me.

While he stretched himself out,  
eagerly watchful for a stray coyote  
or lone deer "for you do see them  
sometimes you know Mother," I  
remember repeating over and over  
again to myself—as women will—  
"I wont oh I wont be buried out  
in this God-forsaken country," for  
with my sex's illogical sentimental-  
ism it was all that appealed to me  
in my then mood. Then came the  
little villages—and the sight of  
them somehow warmed my heart.  
Presently I grew interested in  
watching for them—would Edmon-  
ton be anything like this one or  
that, should I like the life—would  
the people appeal to me?



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How do some men reconcile their consciences to beating women for Judas-like kissing, while at election times they spend their days bedeviling and knocking Jones and then when he's elected—slapping him on the back and exclaiming "delighted old chap—you deserved it—all—our crowd (himself included) supported you to a man." What a numerous progeny the Vicar of Bray left behind him—n'est-ce pas, and who if it came to enumerating them are in the lead the Judases—or their female counterparts?

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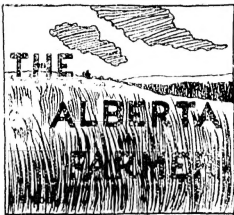
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Perhaps the buyer objects to the stiffness of the figure. "All right!", answers the farmer, turning his paper and yawning. "I didn't send for you to come out, did I? And it ain't any further back to town than it was drivin' out, is it?"

"Thus the horse buyer in the country in these days collects his horses for the sales pens at the various stock yards. And when the buyer has unloaded his cars at the yards he brings back with him something of the same stiffness of bearing worn by the horse raiser."

As this article purports to be illustrative of the every day experience of the horse buyers of the United States, we are forced to conclude that the farmers of that country are not as near the point of starvation as former issues of Up-to-date Farming have led us to believe. It would seem that what is needed is not so much an organization which tries to control the

marketing of what the farmers reduce too much of, as one that will educate them in the production of that which the market really wants, and it may be that the policy of the Alberta Department of Agriculture in calling attention to neglected lines, such as poultry and horse raising, and scientific dairying, of informing the farmer where these things are most wanted and the manner in which they should be prepared in order to command the highest prices, is after all the best method of bringing the farmer to that highest point of rural independence in which he can say to the needy city buyer who remonstrates against the stiffness of his prices: "I didn't send for you to come out, and it ain't any further back to town than it was driving out."

W. F. Stevens, secretary of the A. F. A., has the following suggestions to make to the producers of Alberta who are about to establish direct trade relations with the consumers of British Columbia.

The temptation to take petty advantages of the man who is a long way off is too great for some men to resist, yet failure to resist it has done more to injure trade than any other cause. All trade in order to be profitable to both buyer and seller must rest upon mutual confidence. Once this confidence is destroyed, trade ceases, or if continued, it is carried on on a wide margin, and this margin must as a rule be covered by him who is guilty of bad faith. The first thing to do is to be strictly honest yourself. Then go to your banker and request him to find out for you the standing of your prospective customer. If this proves to be satisfactory, close an agreement with him and live up to it. Make your shipment through and in the name of the bank. The advantages of this are many.

1st—If your shipment consists of grain, you get the use of two-thirds of the market value of it at once.

2nd—You receive better service at the hands of transportation companies.

3rd—You remove from your customer very much of the temptation to take advantage of you.

4th—The money is sent to the bank and placed to your credit without delay, without loss of time to you and without effort on your part.

5th—You acquire the habit of transacting business after the manner of business men.

But shipment through a bank will not shield you against the natural consequences of your own short comings. If these few suggestions are observed there is no reason why the trade between the province of Alberta and the consumers of British Columbia should not be placed on a firm and lasting basis; if they are lost, then all that has been done to that end will have been lost.

An excellent presentation of the views of the farmers of the Edmonton district in regard to matters relating to the grain trade was made before the Dominion grain commission on Saturday and Monday. The commissioners themselves cre-

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ated a first-rate impression by their business-like handling of the proceedings. The keenness of the interest which they showed in every question that arose and the searching examination to which each witness was subjected show how seriously they take their duties. Mr. John Miller of Indian Head is the chairman while his associates are W. L. McNair of Gladstone, Manitoba, George E. Goldie of Ayr, Ontario, and J. R. Boyle M. P. P. of Edmonton, secretary. Mr. Boyle had evidently told his fellow-commissioners that they would have their eyes opened as to the wonderful possibilities of the Edmonton country when they arrived at this point in their itinerary. In only one respect did he fail to make good his claims. He had told them a great deal about the glorious climate of Northern Alberta, the absence, except for a few days in the winter, of severe weather, the slight snow-fall, the glorious sunshine etc. Mr. Goldie stated that he expected to see roses

blooming in the front yards. It is needless to point out how inopportune the visit of the commissioners was for making good Mr. Boyle's claims.

The address from the Alberta Farmers' Association was presented by the president, Mr. Warner. He related how, when during the past summer crop prospects seemed to be very bright, the association came to the conclusion that the dealers were arranging to control the market and to pay a very low price for oats. The provincial government was asked to investigate the natural market of the farmer to the west. It promptly despatched Mr. Warner as its agent. As a result of his trip he had certain recommendations to make to the Dominion government. There was need for terminal elevators at Vancouver for various reasons. The city has an open port the year through. It is only 640 miles from Calgary while the terminals on the great lakes are

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twice that distance and the ports there are frozen for four or five months in the year. There would be the further advantage of having a public place where shippers would have the assurance of storage room and privileges which could not be denied them. It is very hard to store grain properly in an ordinary warehouse on the coast and oats especially require careful handling. Terminal elevators would increase our trade in Australia and give us a larger share of the north coast trade.

"Finally," Mr. Warner concluded "the producer in Alberta and the consumer in British Columbia would not be at the mercy of the grain dealers, who know the ropes so well that if any outsider tries to do any shipping, they quote grain so low to intending buyers that it squeezes the would-be competitor out."

At central points in British Columbia Mr. Warner recommends the establishment of public warehouses, to be operated in a manner similar to the terminal elevators. He found the consumers of British Columbia anxious to have the farmers of Alberta get a fair price for

their oats recognizing as they did that prosperity in Alberta creates a better market for British Columbia products. This western trade, he was convinced, could not be too closely looked after. When the Panama Canal was completed, he had no doubt that the western Canadian surplus would be shipped to Liverpool by Pacific ports.

Mr. Warner's address and his elucidation of the various points which he brought out were followed with keen attention and won much praise for their clearness and comprehensiveness.

Mr. Stevens, the secretary of the

association, presented the case for a separate classification for Alberta oats. He pointed out the marked superiority shown by them at the seed fair last year over the Manitoba product. No. 1 Manitoba went 38 lbs. to the bushel while 44 lbs. was an ordinary thing in this province. He asked for a new grade to be called Extra No. 1 Alberta white, weighing not less than 42 lbs. to the measured bushel.

To show the quality of Alberta oats, a number of samples were brought before the commission and tested by Mr. Goldie. A sample prepared by Mr. Warner, who

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■ The writers of pretty paragraphs for the press may talk as they will about the bright side of human nature that the observance of Christmas brings out, but I have always found that even the great festival of the year must take a second place to a municipal election when it comes to giving me a high opinion of my fellow-men. At the public meeting in the Edmonton Opera House last week, did a single speaker take the platform, who was running for any selfish motives? No, the call of public duty had been so loud that they simply couldn't resist it. What did it matter if their business went smash, their wives and children starved and they had to scorn all delights and live laborious days, was all this worth considering, when the interests of the city at large had to be served? This self-sacrifice was all very wonderful, but one must not think that it is confined to Edmonton. Why, on similar occasions, in other parts of the country I have even known candidates who were not content with promising to work like galley-slaves for the public, but whose benevolence went so far that they instructed some of their friends to go about distributing two and five dollar bills, according to the neediness of those whose welfare they were so anxious to serve.

A feature of the Edmonton election was the interest which the fair sex took in it. One of them, who lives in the east end, was walking down street last week with her brother and discussing very knowingly the merits of the different candidates. Across the street was a group of men, engaged in animated conversation.

"I'll bet you they're talking election," she said, "who is that good natured looking man who is having so much to say?"

"Why, that's the organizer of the Solid Five," replied her companion.

"Well I don't see why he isn't running instead of Dr. Macanley or Mr. Daly," she exclaimed. "I'm sure he's a great deal soldier than they are."

There is a body at Ottawa known as the Geographic Board, which is doing a very useful work in settling disputes regarding the names of places. We all know how confusing it is to have several names applied to the same thing and dif-

ferent spellings in use of the same name. Some of its recent rulings in regard to Alberta are worth taking note of. The creek and lake to the east of Edmonton which have sometimes gone by the name of Beaver are to be known as Beaverhill Creek and Beaverhill Lake. The river in Southern Alberta is to be Oldman, not Old Man's. La Biche Lake and River have been frequently known as Red Deer. This is confusing with the Red Deer down the C. & R. and La Biche alone is to be used henceforth. White Whale Lake, to the west, has been extensively advertised as a summer resort. But the Geographic Board says it must be known as Wabamun Lake. Sprucegrove and Stonyplain are each to be spelt as one word. The prefix "Fort" is to be dropped from Edmonton, Dimvegan, McLeod and Vermilion. But if this is done in the last case, how is the H. B. post upon the Peace River to be distinguished from the town down the C. N. R.? While the Board is at work, why does it not give the public the information which it must obtain in prosecuting its enquiries as to the origins of the various names? The subject is one of which few people in Alberta know anything. To come down to one of the most familiar names in use, how many Saturday News readers can tell who Jasper was after whom Edmonton's main thoroughfare was named. The question is often asked of the Lounger. Can anyone enlighten him?

## THE LOUNGER.

### The Old Legislative Hall Abandoned

The law makers of the province of Saskatchewan have met in the old assembly hall for the first and the last time for it is now definitely known that the coming session of the legislature will be held in the Michaelis block which is now nearing completion. It will seem strange for those who, like Mr. Mountain, have been associated so long with the little old building on Dewdney street, to attach legislative duties with any other place, but the distance and inconvenience of the old chamber necessitates the change which has been decided upon, and therefore the place which was the scene of constitutional struggle for responsible government, will remain one of the historic places of interest, but its useful career has closed.

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### Alberta Farmer

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visited half-a-dozen bins at random around Clover Bar, recorded 45½ lbs. Roy McAllister's sample from East Edmonton showed 46 lbs. cleaned, and 44 lbs. uncleaned. The standard No. 1 of Manitoba, cleaned to grade, from the office of the chief grain inspector in Winnipeg tested but 44½ lbs. Other samples were:

Sample uncleaned, Rice Sheppard, Strathcona, 43½ lbs.

Sample uncleaned, D. S. Fulton, 44 lbs.

Sample Big Four, uncleaned, Wm. Johnstone, East Edmonton, 45 lbs.

Sample uncleaned, Long and short, John Lee, East Edmonton, 44 lbs.

Sample Lincoln, uncleaned, Edward Wallon, Conjuging Creek, 41½ lbs.

Sample F. G. Ferris, Conjuging Creek, grown on new land, 40¾ lbs.

Sample mixed varieties, uncleaned, J. A. Sangster, Conjuging Creek, 44 lbs.

Sample of six varieties from Clover Bar, uncleaned, 44¾ lbs.

Messrs. Rice Sheppard, James B. Eichen, C. Nairn, market clerk E. Grierson, Thomas B. Smith, William Galley, Francis Clare and John Melick were the other witnesses heard.

### Note and Comment

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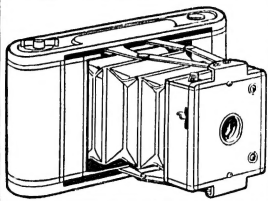
northern half of Columbia avenue. Those who appeared for the city in regard to the G.T.P. agreement before the railway commission at Ottawa gave the C.N.R. to understand that what it desired would be granted. That railway withdrew its opposition to the G.T.P. arrangement on this condition. Now the council finds that to carry it out would be too much to the detriment of adjacent property. The situation thus created is awkward. The C. N. R. can quite rightly accuse the city of bad faith and is not likely to let the matter stand. The council is certainly not out of the dilemma by its action of Tuesday night. What the outcome will be is exceedingly problematical.

It is announced that the government has purchased about 200 acres two miles east of Edmonton, river lot 37, as a site for a provincial agricultural college. Fifty dollars an acre is the price mentioned.

The chief engineer of the Grand Trunk Pacific at Prince Rupert states that the townsite there will not be put on the market till next summer.

The announcement is made that the St. Paul-Minneapolis syndicate headed by O. A. Robertson, F. E. Kennison and F. B. Lynch who have recently acquired big coal holdings in Alberta, have completed the negotiations for the purchase of about 30,000 acres of coal lands in the Elk River valley, formerly held by the Elk Valley company.

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### The Mirror

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#### HOME AND SOCIETY.

A lull, unparalleled since the season's opening, appears to have fallen on the social waters of the giddy Capital city during the past week, and save for a few insignificant ripples in the shape of solitary tables of Bridge and a few scattered small dinners, life flows on as serenely as in the early days when the little out-post of Empire concerned itself not with Bridge and teas, and all the other kindred smart functions, but was content to live its vital, if circumscribed life, broken only by an occasional dance or an old time jollification.

Where a week ago one rambled on of Bridge, and Mrs. Pettifer's card bunting today one confines one's gossip to plum-cakes, what Tommy wants, and the prospect of Mary's making the plum-puddings of just the right consistency. Between packing boxes and shopping there is no longer time for dress-up functions, with the result that everyone is getting a little rest and in better shape to appreciate the gay round once it starts again, for I can prognosticate, from what a little bird has whispered, that we are only experiencing that lull in the storm which is inevitably followed by more violent demonstrations.

I could, and I would, tell you of any number of dances to be, of card parties galore, and other jolly happenings but—I shall at present only tantalize you with suggestions. Sufficient that they will materialize, if nothing happens to prevent, in the immediate future—an *reste*, take things easily while you may, for the respite will not be of long duration.

Last week, owing to the lateness of the event, I only just mentioned Mrs. Justice Scott's more than enjoyable buffet luncheon, which took place on Thursday, and was a triumph of hospitality.

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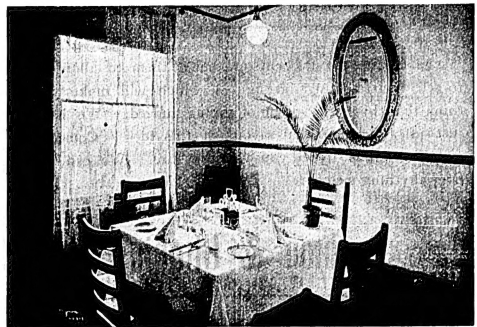
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After a delicious luncheon several tables settled down to an afternoon of Bridge, which resulted in Mrs. Swaisland's carrying home an exquisite bunch of Day Break carnations, as the first prize, and Mrs. Scoble's capturing some lovely 'mums to console her for the smallest score.

Some of the gowns worn on this occasion were particularly smart, and I thought everyone looking her very best. Among those I noticed as present were:—Mrs. Turnbull, Mrs. Cross, Mrs. J. H. Morris, Mrs. Bower Campbell, Mrs. Swaisland, Mrs. Pardee, Mrs. Thibault, Mrs. Robert Mays, Mrs. John Sommerville, Mrs. Helliwell, Mrs. Cantley, Mrs. Lynch, Mrs. Barford, Mrs. Nightingale, Mrs. Sydney Woods, Miss Woods, Mrs. (Dr.) Harrison, Mrs. Calderon, Miss Wishart, Mrs. (Dr.) Harwood, Mrs. Braithwaite, Mrs. Duncan Smith, and Mrs. Scoble.

Mr. Finn leaves on Saturday to spend the holidays at his home in the east.

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## THE SATURDAY NEWS

### Sunny Alberta

Fire broke out about 6.30 P.m. on Monday morning on Main street, McLeod, in a small frame building used as a laundry by Chinese. The fire quickly spread to a Chinese building adjoining, used as a restaurant by J. McKenzie. He succeeded in saving a new piano, but lost everything else, including, it is said an overcoat containing \$750 in bank bills. W. Long's barber shop was also consumed, but the contents were saved. The Canadian Bank of Commerce building, a two storey brick, checked the spread of the fire to the west, thus saving the large two-story frame hotel known as the Macleod House. Eastward the fire crept, R. H. Richardson's gentlemen's furnishings being the next to go. The contents of this building were practically all saved. C. J. Deach's two-storey frame grocery store, filled with a valuable stock, caught fire and burned fiercely, everything being consumed. J. Hick's law office adjoining, shared the same fate, as did Chow Sam's restaurant. One door further east the large building occupied by R. T. Barker, dealer in dry goods and gent's furnishings, was totally destroyed, but the bulk of the stock was saved. J. T. Doney, jeweller, who occupied a portion of the store, was enabled to save his property. The post office was next in line. It was seen that it was doomed and a successful effort to check the course of the flames was made by tearing down this building and the Macleod Supply company's large frame warehouse adjoining. Fortunately there was a dead calm, otherwise every building between the Bank of Commerce and the city hall also a brick structure, would have fallen a prey to the flames. The roofs of nearby buildings being covered with snow prevented the spread of the flames to the adjoining streets.

A most successful bazaar and dinner was held by the Roman Catholics of Ponoka in aid of a church building fund. The project will be gone on with at an early date.

Several warmly contested mayoralty elections were held in the province outside of those in Edmonton and Calgary. In Medicine Hat, William Cousins defeated Ald. Henry Stewart by 21 majority. In McLeod D. J. Greer defeated Mayor Grady by 49. In Innisfail Frank Constantine won over S. P. Fream by 28 and D. C. Gourley over H. M. Trimble in Lacombe by 20. In Lethbridge Dr. Galbraith was returned by 19 majority over Wm. Henderson. In Fort Saskatchewan G. H. McEvoy defeated Dr. Aylen by 32.

### About Town.

The complete figures in the municipal vote on Monday were: for mayor, Griesbach, 717; McLunny, 301; Dawson, 143. For alderman: July, 567; Gariety, 545; Walker, 559; Anderson, 480; McCauley, 417; Koernan, 380; West, 386; Wade, 312; Dubuc, 302; Allen, 276; Weeks, 210; Hetherington, 92; Brenton, 85; Lunnie, 73.

Dr. McCauley, the fifth man, will occupy Ald. Griesbach's place for the unexpired portion of his term. He was in his seat at the regular council meeting on Tuesday night and had something to say regarding the improvement petitions. Property owners on McDougall beyond Elizabeth to which it was proposed to extend the pavement, wish it to go to Isabella. Their wish was granted. The paving programme now stands as follows: Jasper avenue from Nanay to Ninth, Nanay avenue, from Jasper to Sutherland, 1st street from Jasper to Isabella, McDougall avenue, from College avenue to Isabella. Waterworks and sewers must first be laid on these streets.

The contract for completing the sewer construction has been let to the Canadian White Co., of Montreal, which is to get 10 per cent. on the cost. If this runs over \$175,000 the company is to forfeit one-half of the overplus up to the amount of one-half their percentage. Ald. Callaghan fought single handed against the adoption of the arrangement.

The expert who is superintending the construction of the new telephone system says that it may be in operation by July. So great is the demand for telephones at present, according to Ald. Mays, that anyone wishing to dispose of his telephone could do so for \$100.

A three million gallon turbine pump is to be placed in the present waterworks station to relieve the pressure on the present plant. When the new plant is built, the turbine will be removed to it and become part of its equipment.

In Strathcona an exciting contest resulted in the return of N. D. Mills, the well known barrister to the mayoralty. The vote stood as follows: For mayor, N. D. Mills, 250; A. H. Richards, 187. For council: R. A. Hulbert, 203; W. E. Rankin, 165; H. H. Crawford, 158; H. Duncan, 142; Frank Cowles, 115; P. Hulher, 113; Buhren, 113; H. D. Clark, 103; H. F. Sandeman, 84. The first three candidates are entitled to seats at the council board.

Jacob Boatsky lay in an intoxicated state in the east end with the temperature away below zero and was badly frozen.

This week the C.N.R. commenced a passenger train service to Morinville and Stony Plain, trains leaving Edmonton at 6 a.m. on alternate days for the two places. A stopover of half an hour is made at St. Albert and Spruce Grove each way.

A large addition to Alberta College is being contemplated. Sunday was Alberta College Day at McDougall church and Rev. Dr. Riddell preached to large congregations morning and evening.

The post office was moved to its latest temporary quarters at the corner of McDougall and Rice on Saturday and Sunday. They are much more commodious than those just vacated and should enable the staff to discharge its work more satisfactorily.

A falling tree struck and killed Albert Smith at Thompson's lumber camp, 110 miles up the river. The body was brought to the city.

The temporary quarters of the V. M. C. A. at the head of Howard St. have been completed. A comfortable reading room

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The choir of All Saints Church and especially the leader and organist, Vernon Barford, are to be warmly congratulated on the admirable concert given last Thursday. Both the chorists and the solo work were of a high order. Miss Pinckston and Messrs. J. W. Hisslop, T. Kelly, T. H. Griffin, G. J. Senior, E. W. Mantie contributed much to the enjoyment of the evening.

M. Gagnon, proprietor of the Athabasca Hotel at the Landing, proposes to have 80 acres surveyed on the opposite bank of the river and sold as town lots. He may erect a hotel there.

Count von Hammerstein has come south for the winter after spending a most satisfactory season in boring for oil north of Fort McMurray.

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